

ESTABLISHED 1784.  
Oldest Daily Newspaper in the  
United States and Best Advertis-  
ing Medium in Northern Virginia.

# Alexandria Gazette

For this section—Cloudy; showers  
tonight and tomorrow; warmer  
tonight.

VOL. CXXXV—No. 241. ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1919. PRICE ONE CENT

## ADDRESSES RETAIL MERCHANTS' BUREAU

**Charles J. Columbus of  
Washington, Speaks on  
Co-Operation**

## SEES ROSY FUTURE

**Alexandria Has Prospects For Great-  
er Commercial Activity Declares  
Speaker, R. E. Knight Presides.**

An interesting address on "Co-operation" was delivered by Charles J. Columbus, secretary of the Retail Merchants' association of Washington before the Retail Merchants' Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce last night.

Mr. Columbus urged a spirit of get-together on the part of the merchants. He said Alexandria has a great commercial future before her and told his listeners that only a short time before coming to the meeting he had been greatly impressed by the business activity about the city in comparison to what it was some time ago.

Washington he declared is not a commercial city, hence Alexandria will be the workshop of the nation's capital, and he predicted other commercial enterprises for this city and said that the Washington merchants will co-operate with Alexandria in the up-building of the city.

The speaker congratulated the Chamber of Commerce on its splendid club rooms and he emphasized the importance of the credit bureau of that organization which he declared to be vital to any well regulated retail or gazette.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Columbus for his talk. R. E. Knight presided at the meeting.

It is the purpose of this organization to have a speaker from Washington or some other city at each meeting in order to arouse interest and show the merchants what may be accomplished by co-operation.

## PLANS BIG MODEL

**Superintendent Foster Submits Es-  
timates for 29 New Buildings  
at Lorton, Virginia.**

Plans for the erection of twenty-nine permanent buildings at Lorton, Va. for the District reformatory where long term prisoners from Washington are confined, were submitted to the District Commissioners Tuesday by Charles C. Foster, superintendent of the reformatory. The buildings would cost \$382,000, and according to the plans the construction would be done by the prisoners under direction of C. B. Backus, constructing engineer.

The report estimates that 4,000,000 bricks made at the District workhouse by prisoners will be used in the proposed new buildings. They will be erected on a hill about 25 miles from Washington. Superintendent Foster plans to make the group of buildings the "world's most advanced penal colony."

Supt. Foster asked the commissioners to recommend an appropriation of \$44,000 to complete the industrial railroad spur from the work house commissary to the line of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad. The report of the superintendent shows that the population of the reformatory at the close of the last fiscal year was 131, as compared with 145 on July 1, 1918.

## NOTICE

We have the opportunity to locate a manufacturing plant employing girls and women on electric sewing machines. Will start at nine dollars per week, after learning can make up to twenty dollars per week. A splendid chance for permanent employment. Apply by letter or in person to Alexandria Chamber of Commerce.

## ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of the late Gus A. Schenks, this is to notify all persons having claims against estate to present them, statement properly certified for settlement. All persons indebted to deceased will please settle promptly.

Robert H. Cox,  
235-10t. Sergeant Administrator.

## MAY HAVE TO SCRUB

**Baptist Preachers Must Have Decent  
Pay, or Quit, Says Editor**

From the pulpit to jobs as window cleaners and street sweepers is the "step down" Baptist clergymen may be forced to take if their salaries are not increased to meet the high cost of living, declares the Rev. Curtis Lee Laws, editor of the Baptist Weekly Watchman Examiner.

"Unless the poorly paid clergy choose to suffer in want with their loved ones, or go into debt, the course open in these trying days is to quit the ministry and take some job by which they can decently support their families. It may be window cleaning or street sweeping," said Mr. Laws. "God help us that we have fallen upon a day when college and seminary graduates cannot support their families."

## TO SMASH BOLSHEVISM

**Farmers' Association Pledge Power  
of Organization to Combat  
Russian Ideas in America**

Chicago, Oct. 9.—In addressing a zone meeting of the Mississippi Valley Association yesterday, President Harry M. Merrick, of Chicago, pledged the entire power of the organization, backed by 50,000,000 population, including 32,000,000 farmers, to smash Bolshevism and the soviet idea in this country.

"We are going to get back to the Constitution of the United States as interpreted in the light of the ten commandments," shouted Mr. Merrick, after telling of the great growth of the farmers' organizations in the valley. "We are going to get away from the individualist quacks and political self seekers and return to government by law instead of government by force in mass form."

"We are going to stand by the Constitution and see to it that it is maintained by each man and every man no matter who he is. We are going to see to it that the soviet and what it stands for is smashed so flat you can't pick it up with a scoop shovel."

## WIFE GETS DIVORCE

**Mrs. C. N. Vanderbilt Obtains De-  
cree Without Protest and Has  
Custody of Daughter**

Newport, Oct. 9.—Mrs. Cathleen Nelson Vanderbilt obtained from Judge Doran in the Superior Court here a decree of divorce from her husband, Reginald C. Vanderbilt, on the ground of desertion.

The custody of the child is given to her mother. "Nothing was said during the hearing in regard to alimony. It was understood, however, that prior to the filing a petition by Mrs. Vanderbilt there had been a liberal settlement made by Mr. Vanderbilt on his wife for herself and for their daughter.

The divorce decree will become final in six months, when Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt will be free to marry again if they so desire.

Mrs. Vanderbilt deposed that she was married in Newport on April 14, 1912, she declared, her husband went to Europe and neglected her on every possible occasion. She charged that he left her stranded in Paris without money or tickets and refused to let her sail on the same steamship with him.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Deeds of transfer for four pieces of property today were placed on record in the office of the clerk of the court as follows: Mrs. Martha Stanton to Claude M. Lennon and wife house and lot 29 in block 2, section 1, Rosemont; William Desmond to Joseph Lee Lash house and lot 503 Queen street; Miss Fanny Dixon to Francis Utterback house and lot 224 North Alfred street; G. Arthur Harrison to Caleb B. Roberts and wife house and lot on the south side of Queen between Pitt and St. Asaph streets.

## ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of the late Elizabeth Taylor, this is to notify all persons having claims against estate to present them, statement properly certified for settlement. All persons indebted to deceased will please settle promptly.

Robert H. Cox,  
235-10t. Sergeant Administrator.

## LABOR SECTION PROPOSALS READY

**Industrial Body Prepares to  
Act on Problems Affect-  
ing Domestic Peace**

## PUBLIC AGENTS BUSY

**Will Submit Plans for Permanent  
Federal Wage Adjustment Machi-  
nery**

Washington, Oct. 9.—After three days spent in organization, the industrial conference called by President Wilson will come to a show-down tomorrow on the business to be transacted.

Only a brief session was held today, adjournment being taken to permit the groups representing capital, labor and the public, to formulate such suggestions and proposals as they wish to submit for consideration. None was ready for submission today except the preamble of a resolution to be introduced by Charles S. Barrett, of Georgia, representing the farmers' union.

The resolution will demand a comprehensive national agricultural policy. The preamble asserted the farmers were not being given due consideration in the present conference and the failure of any attempt to settle national questions without the consent of the agricultural element of the population was predicted.

## ATTEMPT TO BLOW UP PLANT

**Time Bomb Explodes and Tears Big  
Hole in the Roof of Pitts-  
burgh Building**

Pittsburgh, Oct. 9.—An attempt was made to wreck the plant of the American Sheet and Tinplate Company at McKeesport, early yesterday when a missile believed to have been a bomb was thrown on the shipping department building.

It exploded tearing a large hole in the roof of the structure. No one was injured.

The police believe the explosion was caused by a time bomb placed upon the roof of the building.

Workmen on the night shift at their posts directly under where the missile exploded fled in terror when the explosion occurred, and bits of shattered wood and glass were hurled in all directions.

Foreign residents of the district, panic stricken, rushed from their homes into the streets. The report of the blast could be heard for blocks and attracted hundreds of persons to the scene.

Although several hundred mill guards and police were rushed to the plant immediately after the explosion, no trace of the persons or person responsible for the blast could be found.

## BLUE LAWS TOO STRICT

**Puritanical Acts do More Harm Than  
Good Says Speaker**

The strict Sunday laws of Puritanical origin are not the ideal of the earnest Sabbath school worker, according to Dr. George F. Pentrost, of Philadelphia, one of the speakers before the annual convention of the State Sabbath School Association in Wilkes Barre this week. Dr. Pentrost declared his belief to be that the Puritanical laws have resulted detriment. Asking too much, he said, they were impossible of enforcement and the laxity they required has let down the bars to the continental Sabbath.

## NORWAY VOTES "DRY"

National Prohibition is Adopted Through General Plebiscite Christiania, Oct. 8.—National prohibition has been adopted in Norway by the vote at a general plebiscite held yesterday.

POTOMAC FISH COMPANY have just received a nice supply of Jersey fish from the coast: butterfish, trout, catfish, rockfish, bluefish, Taylors, perch and smoke fish. Fresh oysters by the measure, and always have fried oysters any time.

C. H. ZIMMERMAN, 119 North Royal Street. 241-1p.

## AVIATORS KILLED

**Three Fatalities in Transcontinental  
Flight**

New York, Oct. 9.—Three fatalities and numerous lesser accidents marked the first day of the great transcontinental air derby over a course of approximately 5,704 miles, between New York and San Francisco.

The victims in yesterday's crashes were, Sergt. W. H. Nevitt, Mayor D. H. Crissey and Virgil Thomas. Sergt. Nevitt was an observer on the plane piloted by Col. Gerald Brant, which crashed from a height of forty feet in trying to make landing at Deposit, N. Y. Nevitt was caught under the motor and died shortly after reaching the hospital. Col. Brant also was seriously injured.

Major Crissey and Sergt. Thomas were instantly killed when their plane fell 100 feet at Buena Vista landing field, near Salt Lake City. Assistant Secretary of War Crowell had a narrow escape when the machine in which he went up with Lieut. Cleary left 150 feet at Roosevelt Field. Neither was hurt, however, and Mr. Crowell said, although it was his first flight, he would try again.

Lieut. D. E. Gish's plane caught fire and was forced down at Canadice, N. Y. Lieut. Gish and his passenger, Capt. G. Laverne, aviation attache of the French Embassy, landed safely.

## CHARGE NEW YORK REDS

**Police Charge Several Thousand Radicals in Fifth Avenue**

New York, Oct. 9.—Heads were broken on Fifth avenue yesterday, when mounted police charged a mob of several thousand radicals who attempted to parade up the avenue without a permit. Banners, which bore a number of incendiary slogans, were confiscated by the police, and half filled a patrol wagon. A number of arrests were made. The police said the parade was organized by a Russian newspaper published here, entitled Novi Mir.

Devices on the banners read: "Bloody hounds of Russia!" "Report us all to the soviets!" "You want to give us democracy, but keep it to yourselves!" and "Open the jails!"

The riot started after the procession had gone only two or three blocks. Refusing the request of a policeman to see their permit for the parade, the officers were forced to call for aid, and before the melee ended the services of a score of mounted policemen and 50 reserves were required. The mounted officers charged into the crowd, and 100 or more of the rioters were injured.

Four men and a young woman, all of them aliens, were taken to police headquarters from the headquarters of the Russian soviet bureau by detectives from the "bomb squad." Considerable radical literature was said to have been found on them, but they were not placed under arrest.

The police detained them pending an opinion from the district's office as to whether they could be held for distributing bolshevik literature. A fifth man who gave his name as Anthony Tomaleski, was arrested by detectives later as one of the ring-leaders.

## OFFICERS INSTALLED

**W. P. Woolls Conducts Ceremony for  
Knights of Columbus.**

The following newly elected officers of Fitzgerald Council No. 459, Knights of Columbus, were installed last night at the Lyceum Hall by District Deputy Grand Knight William P. Woolls. Francis H. Pannon, grand knight, William A. Bevaughian, deputy grand knight; Lawrence M. Corbett, chancellor, William J. Greenan, recorder; S. A. Breen, treasurer; J. H. McDonough, advocate; C. M. Lennon, financial secretary; Rev. Louis Smet, chaplain; A. A. Lucas, warden; Thomas Murphy, inside guard; Alphonse Lucas, outside guard; Thos. E. Dyson, John Gilroy and E. Ethelbert Downham, trustees.

## FISH DAY TOMORROW

Norfolk spots, rock fish, steak pollock, flounders, salt water croakers, Jersey trout. Oysters 50 cents a quart dry measure. Sanitary Fish Market, Stall No. 2, Phone 735. J. H. ROBINSON, Proprietor, City Market. 241-1p.

## NORFOLK SALT WATER OYSTERS

Norfolk salt water Oysters and Hampton Bar clams Jacob Brill, foot of King Street., 227-tf.

## PRESIDENT IS MUCH BETTER

**Passes a Very Comfortable  
Night, Is The  
Report**

## GROWING IMPATIENT

**Physician's Requirement That He Re-  
frain From Work Causes Patient  
To Change Under Restraint.**

President Wilson passed a very comfortable night and felt better when he awoke this morning, according to unofficial information at the White House.

Dr. Cary T. Grayson intended to let him sit up in bed at intervals, as he did yesterday, if examination showed he has maintained the slight but steady gains in strength and nervous energy which were noted during the last few days.

"The President passed a very good day," said Grayson's night bulletin, "but there has been no decided change in his condition."

A slackening of the tension at the White House was, however, easily noticeable. Mrs. Wilson, for the first time since her husband became seriously ill, left the Executive Mansion and went for an automobile ride. Some members of his family are returning to their homes for a few days, but the understanding is they will come back to the White House next week.

Dr. Grayson added last night that the day had been a good one for the President, "but not so good for me." The patient is growing very impatient at the physician's requirement that he refrain from work, and as he improves it becomes harder to hold him to the complete rest which the physicians prescribe.

## GETS TASTE OF FROST

**First Cool Snap of the Season Also  
Prevails in the States of  
New England**

Washington, Oct. 9.—The first cool snap of the season prevailed yesterday in the Middle Atlantic and New England States and in the lower lake region, with frosts in the region of the Great Lakes, the upper Ohio valley, the North Atlantic States and part of the Middle Atlantic States.

The drop in temperature was sudden and decided, but the cool spell promises to be of short duration, warmer weather being forecast for tomorrow in the region of the Great Lakes and the Ohio Valley and for Thursday in the New England and Middle Atlantic States. Frosts are probable tonight in the North Atlantic States.

## U. S. STEAMSHIP

**Reported Absorbed by Whelan-  
Ryan Interests.**

New York, Oct. 9.—United States Steamship, which is generally understood on the street to have been absorbed by the Whelan-Ryan interests, ranged from seven and seven-eighths to eight and three-eighths on trading of 50,000 shares.

The Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation of this city is a subsidiary of the foreign concern and the above dispatch will be read with interest here. Many Alexandrians are reported to be interested in United States Steamship.

## LASHES FOR AUTO THIEVES

Georgetown, Del., Oct. 9.—As a warning to joy riders who take friends cars without permission, Judge Boyce read in open Court this week the new law against stealing automobiles passed by the last Legislature which provides a fine of from \$100 to \$1000 and from one to five years in the Workhouse and 40 lashes on the bare back. He warned thieves from other States to stay out of Delaware, unless they want a lashing at the post.

The Judge then sentenced Norman Green, of Georgetown, who was sent to wash a car and instead took it off to a crowd of girls on a joy ride, to nine months in the workhouse and fined him \$100.

## AUTOMOBILES COLLIDE

An automobile smash up occurred at King and Alfred streets yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock when machines driven by Julian D. Knight, this city, and Guy Beard, Renick, W. Va., came together. Both machines were considerably damaged. Later the case was investigated at a special session of the Police Court when Justice Thompson held that Mr. Knight was in the wrong. No fine was imposed, however, and the parties involved were told that any claims for damages must be settled by a civil case.

## GRAND LODGE OF PYTHIANS

**E. R. Boyer, of Alexandria, Named  
Chancellor for Domain of  
State of Virginia.**

Richmond, Oct. 9.—Sessions of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, Knights of Pythias, yesterday were held behind closed doors as will be the remaining sessions during the present convention which is expected to adjourn today. At the evening session the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

E. R. Boyer, of Alexandria, grand chancellor.

S. B. Hammer, of Lynchburg, grand vice-chancellor.

W. E. Ritter, of Buchanan County, grand prelate.

R. H. Bell, Jr., of Staunton, grand keeper of records and seals.

J. T. Bailey, of Richmond, grand master of exchequer.

B. Mercer Hartman, of Richmond, grand master at arms.

Thomas E. Payne, of Roanoke, grand inner guard.

Walter Sibert, of Norfolk, grand outer guard.

George C. Cabell, of Norfolk, supreme representative.

William Ladew, of New York, supreme vice-chancellor of the order, is in attendance on the sessions.

## "DRY" BILL PASSES SENATE

**Absence of Debate on Measure Oc-  
casions Much Surprise—Now  
Goes to House**

Washington, Oct. 9.—The bill for enforcement of wartime and Constitutional prohibition was agreed to in conference adopted yesterday by the Senate without discussion. It may go to the House for final action.

Absence of debate on the measure occasioned much surprise.

Senator Sterling (Republican) of South Dakota, called up the conference agreement and after a pause to learn if any discussion was desired Vice-President Marshall put the motion on adoption and it was carried viva voce without an audible vote.

Quick action on the conference report in the House is expected. As soon as the House acts, the measure will go to the President and the section enforcing wartime prohibition will become effective as soon as the signs it.

With any beverages containing more than one-half of 1 per cent of alcohol defined as intoxicating unbeer would be prohibited.

## DUNCAN-GRIMES NUPTIALS

Cards have been received in this city announcing the marriage on September 27th of Mrs. Susie B. Duncan, of Columbia, S. C., to Mr. H. Winfield Grimes, a former employee of the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation.

The bride is a daughter of the late Rev. Whiteford Duncan, who was pastor of the M. E. Church South in Columbia. She has been a frequent visitor to Alexandria where she has many friends.

The bridegroom is a son of Mr. Hunter Grimes, of Newport News, Va.

## STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Howard Lumber Company, Incorporated, will be held at its principal office, 111 South Fairfax street, Alexandria, Virginia, at 11 o'clock A. M., October 27th, 1919. By order of the Board of Directors.

Howard Lumber Company, Incorporated.

Josiah Howard, President.

241-15t. Jay P. Felt, Secretary.

## NOTICE

Special prices on all goods. Hams, 32 cents a pound, shoulder, 20 cents a pound, new buckwheat and pancake flour. Potatoes, 48 cents per peck. F. C. PULLIN, Corner Queen and Royal Street. 241 1p.

## HAPPENINGS ABOUT CITY TOLD IN BRIEF

Several Bargains in used FORD cars at Remschel's. 241-2c.

Mr. Woodbury is an expert on Fords. Have you seen him at Remschel's. 241-2c.

Mrs. W. F. Bean, of Norfolk, Va., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Milton E. Moore, 123 Duke street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ross are visiting their sister, Mrs. C. W. Garrett, of Raleigh, N. C.

The regular weekly prayer meeting at Anne Lee Memorial will be held Friday at 3 p. m.

Miss Jessie Crump has returned to her home in this city, after visiting friends in Richmond and Fredericksburg, Va.

A marriage license was issued in Washington yesterday to Alfred Setford, of New York City, and Cora Padgett, of Alexandria, Va.

Miss Ruth Brown, of Shipman, Va., and sister of Miss Maud Brown of this city, was operated upon last Friday at the Alexandria Hospital by Dr. S. B. Moore. She is doing as well as can be expected.

Rev. Dr. Berryman Green, of the Episcopal Theological Seminary, is attending the general convention of the Episcopal Church now in session in Detroit, Mich.

The ladies of the M. E. Church South are planning to hold a bread and cake sale at the Young Peoples' Building, Saturday morning. Proceeds will be used in the maintenance of two rooms in the Alexandria Hospital.

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce last night discussed the proposition of the establishment of a non equipment Y. M. C. A., in Alexandria. No definite action, however, was taken on the matter and it will be further considered at a future meeting.

Checks to the order of the following persons, are held at the War Risk Insurance Bureau due to incorrect spelling or wrong address. Any person who can give correct address or location of these persons please notify Home Service of American Red Cross, at the Chamber of Commerce, or telephone 687-W. Mary Jane Fitton, 128 South Royal St., Estella Jackson, 212 Campbell St., Lucy Simons (Simmons), Alex. Va.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

To the voters of Jefferson District Alexandria County: A false rumor is being circulated throughout Alexandria county by some of my opponents to the effect that I have with drawn from the race for supervisor of Jefferson District. I brand this as a direct falsehood, as I am in the race to stay, and have every assurance from the voters of my district that I will be elected by a large majority—regardless of the false reports and dealings of those who are opposing me.

Jacob Carl,  
Candidate for Supervisor for Jefferson District. 238-6t.

## IN MEMORIAM

In sad but loving remembrance of our dear daughter and sister, Myrtle Robey Hantzman, who died October 8, 1918, one year ago yesterday. Thou are gone but not forgotten. Fresh our love shall ever be. For as long as there is memory We shall always think of thee. Home is sad oh God how dreary. Lonesome, lonesome every spot. Listening for her voice till weary. Weary for we hear it not. By her loving mother, sisters and brothers.

241-1p.

## NOTICE

Subscription book for a limited number of shares to the 13th Series German Co-Operative Building Association, No. 5, is now open at their offices, 110 South Washington street. 239-6c. Justus Schneider, Secty.